Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, March 31st, 1989

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Mr. Treasurer -

It is my most pleasant duty to present to you and to this Convocation L. Yves Fortier and to request that you confer upon him the degree of Doctor of Laws.

Called to the Barof Quebec in 1960, his keen intellect which gained him high academic honour and a Phodes scholarship combined with his ability to grasp essential issues and master detail soon established him as a leader of the Bar.

His energies were not directed solely to the services of his clients but also to the service of his community and the legal profession both within Quebec and across Canada. Recognition of his abilities came when he was elected President of the Canadian Bar-Association.

The people of Canada have also benefited by his service as an advocate in international disputes and arbitrations, and most latterly as Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations.

His career as an advocate, as a leader in the profession and as a representative of Canada at the highest levels of international diplomacy redounds to the credit of the legal profession in Canada and is a worthy exemplar of the values of service and integrity that we as a profession cherish so highly and accordingly, Mr. Treasurer, 1 ask that you confer upon, L. Yves Fortier the degree of Doctor of Laws honoris causa.